

"Our lives begin to end the day we become silent about things that matter."

Martin Luther King, Jr.

2018 MLK Day
Community Conversation
on Race

## JANUARY 15, 2018 CREATING A SAFE AND JUST SCHOOL ENVIRONMENT IN LEXINGTON & BEYOND

"Missing out on instruction time can have a devastating impact on educational outcomes for students, particularly time lost due to suspensions. Research has demonstrated that losing instruction time can affect reading achievement and that suspensions are an important predictor of graduation rates and involvement with the juvenile justice system."

(http://schottfoundation.org/report/suspended-education-massachusetts)

Recent school discipline data shows that in Lexington, black students and students with disabilities bear the brunt of this loss of opportunity to learn.

The Lexington Human Rights Committee invites everyone in the Greater Lexington community to bring your hearts and minds to this conversation on racial justice and discipline disparity. This is an opportunity to talk to your neighbors about what each of us can do to have a meaningful impact on the lives of those living, working, and going to school in our town.

Doors Open at 8:30 am Free Coffee and Pastries

Key Note Speaker:
Daniel J. Losen,
co-author of
Suspended
Education in
Massachusetts

Program Starts at 9 am and ends at 10:30 am

Make Friends of
Strangers and
Build Coalitions for
Change

All Ages Welcome

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